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Re: Inventor(s): Shinichi Kurita and Rex Kusler
Title: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR POSITIONING A SUBSTRATE RELATIVE TO A SUPPORT STAGE
Serial No.: 10/781,953
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the
following references:

U.S. Patent No. 4,628,238, Smulders et al.

U.S. Patent No. 6,327,034 B1, Hoover et al.

Foreign Art Reference No. EP 1 067 589 A2 (EPO)

Foreign Art Reference No. JP 04149917 (Japan)

Foreign Art Reference No. JP 2001358202 (Japan)

These references are also listed on the accompanying
Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449).

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this
patent application is respectfully requested.


Respectfully Submitted,

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U.S. Patent Documents							
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	F-1	EP 1 067 589 A2	01/10/01	EPO			
	F-2	JP 04149917	05/22/92	Japan			X <small>abstract only</small>
	F-3	JP 2001358202	12/26/01	Japan			X <small>abstract only</small>
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